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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Woburn, Massachusetts.

*March*  
February 1, 1955.

*regular.*  
A ~~special~~ meeting of the Board of Directors of the MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION was held this date, at 8 P.M. o'clock in the evening at Woburn, Massachusetts, notice of which meeting had been *received* ~~waived~~ by all the Directors.

The meeting was called to order by the President and after discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED: To accept the 4-H Club as a unit with Mr. Spooner to be in charge and have complete control at all times.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: That each member of the 4-H Club pay \$1.00 a year to the Association *plus any extra charge by our Insurance Co. for their activities.* and a range fee of 25¢ per person at each shooting period.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: To allow the 4-H Club to have the facilities of the indoor range on Saturdays with two ~~days~~ reserved for members of the Rifle Association, as they so desire.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: That the 4-H Club *shall* ~~would~~ *its* ~~supply~~ their own targets and ammunition and that no member of the 4-H Club is to shoot on any range unless accompanied by Mr. Spooner.

*Voted that the members of the 4-H Club under Mr. Spooner be restricted to the use of 22 long rifle air fire ammo only. These motions are subject to acceptance by our Insurance Co.*

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was .  
VOTED: To adjourn.

ATTEST:

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Secretary.





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March 11, 1955

Massachusetts Rifle Association  
c/o Mr. Harold W. Morrill, Sec'y  
378 Walnut Street  
Newtonville 60, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Morrill:

Thank you for your letter of March 10th regarding the use of your facilities by the 4-H Club.

Inasmuch as such use is sanctioned by your Board of Directors with resolutions being voted, it would be considered a club activity.

If a claim should be made against the Massachusetts Rifle Association as a result of the 4-H Club using your premises, your policy No. 10LT 12-86-405 would provide protection to the Massachusetts Rifle Association in accordance with its terms and conditions.

May we point out, at this time, that the 4-H Club or its members, has no protection under your policy. We trust that this information fully answers your question.

Sincerely,

*John F. Carpenter*  
John F. Carpenter

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TOWN OF BROOKLINE  
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

July 20 1954

The Board of Directors, Massachusetts Rifle Association  
Salem Street  
Woburn, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen;

This letter is in regard to a matter which I have already discussed informally with Mr. Matson and Mr. Smith of your organization.

About a year ago the 4-H organization of the Middlesex County Extension Service requested me to organize a junior rifle team or club to be the nucleus of a county-wide junior league. At that time, space for an indoor range was practically assured us, so the club was organized with five girls and five boys and named the Pioneer Junior Rifle Club. After our organization, it turned out that the range we expected did not materialize. However, the Woburn Police came to our rescue by offering the use of their indoor range, which we have been using through the past winter and to this date. We find that this range is not conducive to rifle practice, being a pistol range with two firing points separated by a partition. This prohibits prone shooting except in a cramped position, and as a result, the members have done all their shooting from a sitting position.

Lieutenant Doherty of the Woburn Police advised us to get in touch with some senior rifle club and find if such club would accept a junior division. The North Reading Club was suggested, but it already has a junior division and it is located outside of Woburn.

As a former member of the M.R.A., I thought I would try and find how the organization would consider the proposition of adopting a junior division already organized, partly trained and chartered by the M.R.A. By advice of Mr. Matson and Mr. Smith, this letter is forwarded.

I do not know, of course, whether the M.R.A. will be willing to accept a junior division, and if so, under what terms the acceptance would take place. There are certain important matters that would have to be worked out, such as dues, range charges, time allowed for use of ranges, matches with other junior clubs, size of the junior division, etc. Also the question as to whether the junior members would become actual members of the MPA or merely an attached club. I am sure they would prefer to be members of the MPA and still be known as the Pioneer Rifle Club. I am not sure that this could be worked out.

I will be glad to meet with any of your members who may be assigned to handle this matter, or come before your Directors to answer any questions that I may.

Very truly yours

*Arthur E. Joann* 20394W

Instructor, Pioneer Rifle Club

15 Frederick Drive  
Woburn

2:30 Sunday